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## **STATEMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN ASHCROFT ON THE FOURTH CIRCUIT'S RULING IN U.S. v. MOUSSAOUI**

“We are pleased with today's 4th Circuit ruling, which once again affirms our belief that the government can provide Zacarias Moussaoui with a fair trial while still protecting national security interests. Today's ruling reiterating the Fourth Circuit's conclusions and unanimously denying Moussaoui's request for rehearing by the full court puts the Moussaoui prosecution back on track, and we look forward to presenting our case to the District Court.”